



February 16, 1999

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Dear Ted,

Thank you for your letter of February 5, which arrived today. I noticed the discrepancy between the dates you mentioned, and figured it was an oversight. Also, the Sallinger saga is now over. I'm enclosing an article that ran today in the *New York Post*, which was buried on the third to last page. I doubt many people laid eyes on it. Vicki Gordon of *60 Minutes* alerted me to it. I asked her if she thought the story would go national. She did not. She has offered to acquire a transcript of the four-part series, and I will forward it to you as soon as it gets here.

I have sent your requests and suggestions to Michael Ulveman (see enclosed copy). Regarding blind luck, so be it. I think you have received my comments on his manuscript by now. I have not had time to read any more since writing that letter to you. We shall see. I'm still thinking about how I might best respond to aspects of his argument that do not hold up well under scrutiny such as his understanding of Gilgamesh's will to power.

I think the copy of ISIF will counterbalance the rough spots in the copy Denvir sent, thank you very much and I will return them as soon as transcription is complete. I await the missing pages from Denvir's office. The letters you enclosed are of great value to my own perception of the crimes placed in context with the publication of the manifesto. The letter to the *Times* is a very eloquent (and considered) treatment of a revolutionary's moral responsibilities to society, and also of the anger that informs acts performed in aid of a revolutionary cause (mirrored by the anger and violence pandemic to contemporary America). Both letters should be published in full.

I told Mike the CNN thing wouldn't float. I should add that he gets excited for all the right reasons. He truly wants to see the petition to vacate your guilty plea succeed.

I am enclosing the press that came out when your book was announced. I want you to know that I am very niggardly with the information I possess about you and your appeal. I say this because I was unhappy with the timing of the announcement. A tacky "scoop" journalist got wind of the book (I still don't know how she did) and I had no choice but to give her the basic information,

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for fear that she would otherwise write something dreadful. It worked, and her piece was almost an exact copy of the press release I sent to you. I then immediately sent the press release to the Associated Press and Reuters, so that it would look like the "scooper" got the story off of the news wires. I am satisfied with the press treatment, for the most part. There was of course inaccuracy, but nothing negative. I am particularly happy with the *Washington Post* article by David Streitfeld, who is a respected book columnist.

You will be amused perhaps by a jousting match I had with a live radio journalist who called from Bogota, Colombia. He asked if you were a "communisto," but the interpreter did not translate it, so I asked "Excuse me, but did he say communist?" The reporter cut the interpreter off, "Si." "No." "Que?" It was wonderfully monosyllabic. I then said "No, Kaczynski is definitely not a communist." The reporter wasn't satisfied, and asked if I was a communist. "No." Long pause, and the interview continued with similarly stupid questions. I did not get the name of the show, so a transcript is unlikely. Immediately after that call, some guy named Billy Hays called from a Dallas radio show and said, "Now--Mr--Friedlander," as if each word (especially my name) was a cherry pit, "why would you want to publish this guy's book?" I rephrased the question for him, i.e., to how the conversation began, and then briefly recounted our initial correspondence. He was no longer hostile by the end of the interview. I will send a copy of the transcript when it arrives. Reporters are a frightening lot, similar to rabid animals. Not much in the way of consideration or cogitation in their midst.

In 1992, I taught English for a Frei Universiteit summer program in the former DDR. I had the opportunity to visit the August Herzog Bibliothek in Wolfenbüttel. They apparently have a Gutenberg Bible. Didn't get to see it, alas. After a bit of wrangling, I am able to report that one of the twelve, extant Gutenberg Bibles (vellum) will follow this letter under separate cover not at all. Any reason why you require a copy of the book that marks the birth of the Behemoth of modern print media? I will send a Penguin Classics edition of Cellini's autobiography to LE as soon as possible. I will also try to accommodate your other two requests in the next few days.

I hope this note finds you well.

Yours,

Beau.

Subject: waits

Date: Tue, 16 Feb 1999 15:40:05 -0500

From: Context Media <simnyc@interport.net>

To: Ulveman@aol.com

Dear Michael:

Ted has written to me re. reporting on Waits. He thanks you for your interest and wants you to know that he does intend to help you with an investigation. But he is very overloaded w/ correspondence. He suggested that you send him "a few questions that can be answered briefly" and he will try to answer them. In the meantime, he suggests that you get a copy of the defense's Motion to Suppress Evidence, the prosecution's brief in opposition to that motion, and the defense's reply to the prosecution's brief. These are public documents and can be obtained from the court. You might also try contacting TK's, former defense attorney as part of your reporting. Here's his info: Quin Denvir, (916) 498-5700. Do not be surprised if he is standoffish with you. He's not a big fan of journalists.

I hope this note finds you well.

Beau.

Ulveman@aol.com wrote:

> Hi Beau - no fax, yet. My fax-number is 202-337-3277

> Michael

I faxed him a copy of your letter to the Helena Independent.

Subject: it takes all kinds

Date: Fri, 12 Feb 1999 14:38:10 -0500

From: Richard Bonnie <rbonnie@law5.law.virginia.edu>

To: amy@interport.net

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M E D I A

Beau: I have referred all media inquiries to our communications office here at the law school. Denise Forster is the point person. In the message below, she has described a call we got from someone called Servando up your way. I decided to refer it to you for your amusement. RJB

>Return-path: <dforster@law5.law.virginia.edu>

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>Date: Fri, 12 Feb 1999 14:28:13 -0500

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>From: Denise Forster <dforster@law5.law.virginia.edu>

>Subject: it takes all kinds

> in 1987 apparently

>Servando said he knew TK before it all started -- as TK was "trying out his bombs" in NY's Central Park.

>He's available to talk to you or anyone. He's not told any media or writers about this -- he said.

>Feel free to leave a message on his machine. 212 866 1544

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